Jazmyn Breeze Gilbert Memorial Award

On December 11, 2002, the first child of Dr. Jenelle Gilbert and Dr. Wade Gilbert arrived. Jazmyn Breeze Gilbert was born at 31 weeks with severe heart defects and did not make it through the delivery. Though her life was short, she touched the hearts of many people. When parents lose a child, especially when life was as short as Jazmyn's, one of their biggest fears is that people outside of the family will forget that the child existed and how important she was. However, due to the generous donation from her paternal grandparents, Richard and Barbara Gilbert, Jazmyn Breeze's name will continue to live on in the community and impact those around her through the establishment of the Jazmyn Breeze Gilbert Memorial Award. This award was established in 2003 and rewards outstanding students in Sport Psychology.

Award Description

The Jazmyn Breeze Gilbert Memorial Award is presented annually to one graduate student and one undergraduate student pursuing careers in sport psychology. Each award includes (a) 1-year membership in the Association for Applied Sport Psychology, which includes the Journal of Applied Sport Psychology, (b) 1-year subscription to The Sport Psychologist or The Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology, and (c) one conference registration for a national or regional sport psychology conference. Students will be reimbursed for these professional development activities and may use their award anytime in the calendar year for which the award is given.

Eligibility

Undergraduate Award: Students must be enrolled in an undergraduate program at California State University, Fresno and must have completed (or be enrolled in) Kinesiology 33 (Foundations of Sport and Exercise Psychology) at the time of application. Students must also be members in good standing of the Student Sport Psychology Club. Students are only eligible for the award once per degree.

Graduate Award: Students must be enrolled in the graduate Option in Sport Psychology in the Master's of Arts in Kinesiology at California State University, Fresno at the time of application. Students must also be members in good standing of the Student Sport Psychology Club. Students are only eligible for the award once per degree.

Application Process

Interested students must submit a 3-page maximum (double-spaced) typed letter addressing the following points: (a) career aspirations in sport psychology related field, (b)

personal challenges or hardships overcome to reach this point in academic career, and (c) justification for consideration of this award (highlight contributions and involvement in sport psychology at California State University, Fresno). The letter must be emailed to Dr. Wade Gilbert, Sport Psychology Coordinator (wgilbert@csufresno.edu).

Review Process

Each submission will undergo a blind review conducted by the donors of the award (Mr. Richard and Mrs. Barbara Gilbert). The donors will forward a recommendation to the Sport Psychology Coordinator. The award is contingent annually upon funding support and applicants who meet all of the criteria.

Deadlines

November 6: call for applications

December 1: submit application letter via email

December 18: receive notification from award review committee

January 1 – December 31: award disbursement (as dictated by student)